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MADRID JMWAVE ROME CASABLANCA RABAT FRANKFURT HAMBURG BRUSSELS HAGUE LONDON MILAN OTTAWA PARIS MEXICO CITY

FROM: DIRECTOR

CONF: C/SAS 5

INFO: DDP, ADDP, C/SOD 4, C/CI, C/FI 2, C/TSD 3, C/AF 3, C/EE 3, C/WE 2, C/WH 5, RF, VR

SIG CEN

TO: IMMEDIATE MADR INFO HAMB BRUS HAGU LOND CASB [illegible] (ROUTINE) [illegible] OTTA PARI MEXI
WAVE ROME ~~XXXXXXXXX~~
FRAN MILA

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RYBAT ZRWAGON TECH

1. FOLLOWING IS FBIS TICKER ITEM FROM CASTRO'S 21 OCTOBER SPEECH: "CASTRO REVEALS THAT HIS SECURITY FORCES HAVE JUST DISCOVERED AN ATTEMPTED SABOTAGE OF THE CUBAN MERCHANT SHIP LAS VILLAS. CASTRO CLAIMS THAT THE CIA PLACED A BOMB ABOARD THE VESSEL IN GENOA, ITALY, BUT THAT IT WAS DEFECTIVE AND FAILED TO GO OFF. THE BOMB WAS FOUND, HE SAYS, WHEN THE SHIP WAS BEING UNLOADED."

2. KUBARK ~~XXX~~ POLICY IS NO COMMENT AND COMPLETE DENIAL IF SPECIFICALLY ASKED.

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